

Amendments to the Specification

Please amend the above-identified patent application by replacing paragraph 0051 with the following paragraph:

[0051] A general, non-limiting example of suitable methods for measuring the heart rate and/or other heart-related physiological parameters of a subject who is wearing the device according to the present invention may be found in the article "Cuff-less Continuous Monitoring of Beat-To-Beat Blood Pressure Using Sensor Fusion", by Boo-Ho Yang, Yi Zhang and H. Harry Asada--IEEE (also available on the Internet by accessing the uniform resource locator address of “web <dot> mit <dot> edu/zyi/www/pdf/IEEETrans2000.pdf” as of Dec. 9, 2001), hereby incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein, where systolic and diastolic blood pressure are calculated using the pulse pressure shape per heartbeat. The disclosure does not describe a device, which has the functionality according to the present invention, but the disclosed method is generally useful for determining blood pressure from an external measurement of pressure from the pulse through the skin of the subject.